APPEALS PANEL

At a meeting of the Appeals Panel held on 3 September 2010 at Stobart Stadium, Lowerhouse Lane, Widnes.

Present: Councillors Wainwright (Chairman), Edge and Findon.

Apologies for absence: None

Absence declared on Council business: None

Officers present: P. Wright, K. Mylchreest, E. Parker and M. Simpson

In attendance: Appellant.

ITEMS DEALT WITH UNDER POWERS AND DUTIES EXERCISABLE BY THE PANEL

Action

AP10 SCHEDULE 12A OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT 1972 AND LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

The Panel considered:

- (1) whether Members of the press and public should be excluded from the meeting of the Panel during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 because it was likely that, in view of the nature of the business to be considered, exempt information would be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972; and
- (2) whether the disclosure of information was in the public interest, whether any relevant exemptions were applicable and whether, when applying the public interest test and exemptions, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighed that in disclosing the information.

RESOLVED: That as, in all the circumstances of the case, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information, members of the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item of business in accordance with Sub-Section 4 of Section 100A of the Local Government Act 1972 because it is

likely that, in view of the nature of the business, exempt information will be disclosed, being information defined in Section 100 (1) and paragraphs 1, 2 and 3 of Schedule 12A of the Local Government Act 1972.

AP11 GRIEVANCE APPEAL

The Panel considered information submitted in respect of the above appeal and heard representations from the appellant and the presenting officer. The Panel noted that a Working Party, consisting of representatives from Management and Trade Unions, was in the process of addressing the Council wide issues of premium pay.

RESOLVED: That the Appeal not proceed pending the result of the concluded Working Party, which would be applied to the appellant's case, and if the results found in the appellant's favour, then the pay would be backdated to the date the grievance was originally lodged.

Meeting ended at 3.00pm